

HEMMED IN ON ALL SIDES

ELEVEN PASSENGER TRAINS IN NEW YORK SNOWBOUND SINCE WEDNESDAY.

250 PASSENGERS SUFFERING

Established By Farmers Frozen Solid and Unfit for Use—Snow Plows Make Slow Progress.

Jan. 21.—Towering snow in the Rome Watertown & ...

ACT OF KOREAN PRINCE

Who is Now in This Country Being Jealously Guarded On Account of Far East Trouble.

WAS IN NEW YORK INCOG.

Washington Jan. 21.—The Korean minister at Washington and his staff ...

THREE DEAD, TEN INJURED

As Result of Early Morning Accident in the Works of the Cambria Steel Company at Johnstown, Pa.

THE GOVERNOR BELT BROKE

Johnstown Pa. Jan. 21.—Three men are dead and three will probably die ...

NO EVIDENCE THAT COLOMBIANS INTEND

Making an Attempt to Retain ...

SLAP AT MINERS' OFFICERS

Resolution for Directory to Enable New Candidates for Offices to Reach the Men.

IT WAS LOST ON FINAL VOTE.

Indianapolis, Jan. 21.—Not a word of opposition was offered when the resolution favoring the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people was passed by the United Mine Workers' convention this morning.

RUSSIA GIVES WAY IN KOREA

BUT WILL INSIST ON MAINTAINING HER POSITION IN MANCHURIA.

CZAR ATTENDS CONFERENCE

At Which the Answer to the Mikado is Prepared—More Diplomacy and Less War Talk Now.

London, Jan. 22.—The statement is published in London this morning (Friday) with an air of authority, to the effect that the question of a neutral zone has disappeared from the Russo-Japanese negotiations.

PAINS IN HIS STOMACH

Bid a New York Banker That He Must Kill President Roosevelt.

WAS COMMITTED TO BELLEVUE

New York, Jan. 21.—E. A. Erie, a banker who claimed that mystic influences were at work on him through the agency of his stomach bidding him kill the president, was committed to Bellevue hospital today for examination as to his sanity.

FIFTY YEARS MARRIED.

Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. Lincoln Jan. 21.—Special to the Herald—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Langenhahn, who for more than a half century have been residents of Logan county, are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary today at their home on Sixth street.

ICE BOUND IOWA.

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Grand Rapids, Mich., Jan. 21.—Ex-Alderman James O. McCool, today pleaded guilty to the charge of accepting a bribe from Lant K. Salsbury for aiding the water deal. His trial was to have begun today, but it is said that as a result of yesterday's verdict of guilty in the Egan case, McCool decided to change his plea to guilty.

MRS. BECHTEL ON STAND.

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Allentown, Pa., Jan. 21.—Catherine Bechtel, on trial on a charge of being an accessory after the fact to the murder of her daughter, Mabel, took the witness stand in her own defense this afternoon. She told a plain, straightforward story.

ECHO OF FLOOD.

Body of Actor Coghlan, Washed From Vault, Found Near Galveston.

Galveston, Texas, Jan. 21.—A metallic casket found near the main land about forty miles from this city, believed to be the box containing the body of Charles Coghlan, the actor, who died suddenly in Galveston, in November, 1899.

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ARCHITECT OF THE IRROQUOIS

Before the Coroner's Jury Flatly Contradicts Story of Building Commissioner Williams

NATURAL GAS BRINGS DEATH

EXPLOSION IN HOTEL AT MARION, IND., KILLS THREE AND WOUNDS MANY.

BUILDING IS A WRECK

Sudden Increase of Gas Pressure Was the Cause—Report of Explosion Heard for Miles.

FLOODS ARE THREATENING

WEST PENNSYLVANIA PREPARING FOR RISE THAT WILL SURPASS THAT OF 1884.

IT IS SERIOUS IN OHIO

Bridges Weighted Down With Trains—Blasting Ice Gorges With Dynamite—Illinois River.

FLOODS EAST OF PEORIA.

Peoria, Jan. 21.—The heavy rains of the last three days have sent all the streams in the vicinity out of their banks. Parties residing in the lowlands near East Peoria, have been driven out by farm creek, and a bridge just completed by the city threatens to go out at any moment.

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THE INDICATIONS.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Illinois—Clearing and colder; Friday Saturday fairly fresh northwest winds.

DIED AND WENT TO HEAVEN

Made a Short Stay and Returned To Earth To Remain On Seven Days' Leave.

AND NOW HE'S GONE AGAIN.

Harriburg, Ill., Jan. 21.—The days of miracles are not passed, according to those familiar with the death and return to life of Ulysses S. Roberts, a cigar maker and musician. He had been afflicted with consumption for nearly a year. Two weeks ago his condition became worse, a few days later he called his wife and two children to his bedside, and kissing them goodbye, told them of the fast approaching end. In the presence of the family, his pastor, Rev. A. S. Maxey, of the First Methodist Episcopal church of this city, Attorney R. S. Marsh, his family physician and a number of relatives, he died.

AND NOW HE'S GONE AGAIN.

An undertaker was called. Twelve hours had elapsed since the spirit had left the body, when suddenly the figure lying on the cot smiled and opened its eyes. Mr. Roberts then spoke and asked how long he had been gone, and when told, he said: "That's strange, it seems to me I have been gone a 1,000 years. I have been in heaven and I have been happy."

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He told of his meeting his father who had long preceded him and other relatives and friends. Many questions were asked by the pastor, Rev. A. S. Maxey, concerning heaven, and the description given by him was wonderful.

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"But," said he, "I have just seven days to remain on earth, when I will leave you until we meet up yonder."

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When asked by Rev. Maxey as to how Jesus appeared he said He was most always happy, except at times when He believed this earth steeped in sin. Roberts expressed a desire to return to heaven and true to his prediction, on the seventh day and at the very hour named he again died.

COT HOLD OF WRONG SAFE

Robbers Hold Up Sunset Limited Between Paso Robles and San Ardo, Cal.

ONE OF BANDITS CAPTURED.

San Luis Obispo, Cal., Jan. 21.—The safe stolen from the express car of the Southern Pacific railroad was found today in the rough lands along the side of the track. It had been rifled of everything except a valuable diamond and some valuable papers. The Wells Fargo officers say that there were two safes on the train, one of which is locked at New Orleans, the other being a depository for local valuables which they assert seldom contains more than \$1,500. It was the latter that was stolen.

ONE OF BANDITS CAPTURED.

A man's hat was found in the vicinity of the stolen safe today. After the robbery a man bought a hat from a section man and on the arrival of the southbound train this afternoon, was arrested and identified by the section man. It is believed that one of the robbers has been captured.

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Salina, Cal., Jan. 21.—The news has just been received here that the Sunset Limited train on the Southern Pacific, which left San Francisco last night, was held up by robbers between Paso Robles and San Ardo. The engineer, so the report says, pulled up at the sight of a red light displayed on a dangerous signal, when the trainmen were overpowered and the robbers forced an entrance into the express and mail cars. What they got away with in the shape of plunder is not yet known, but it is said they looted a number of mail bags and took the plunder off with them.

J. W. CRANE PAINFULLY HURT

Fell Eight Feet Off a Bridge at Monticello Narrowly Missing the Stream.

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To meet the sick who have not tried his treatment and to demonstrate to them he can cure them.

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All treatment free. No charge for professional services. The patient required to pay for cost of medicines used. This applies to all who begin treatment this visit.

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TAKES EASIEST WAY OUT.

Gene Linxweller Will Plead Guilty in the Federal Court.

Eugene Linxweller, secretary of the trade and labor assembly, will appear in the federal court at Springfield today to plead guilty to charges of using the United States mails for conspiracy in threatening a boycott.

The case was set for today and the witnesses from Decatur who expected to go to Springfield to testify, were notified Tuesday that it would not be necessary for them to come as arrangements had been made whereby Linxweller would plead guilty to the charge made against him.

It is alleged that Linxweller sent on a postal card threats of violence to the part of union men against a firm which had advertised in a non-union newspaper. It is against the postal rules to send anything of the kind and the mails when it is written on a postal card.

WILLIAMSON OUT

Former State Treasurer Announces His Candidacy for Secretary of State.

THE FIGHT FOR DELEGATES ON.

Each Day Brings New Interest to State Politics.

Ex-State Treasurer M. O. Williamson authorized today the announcement that he is a candidate for the republican nomination for secretary of state. In his card he says: "I am not, and will not be, a candidate for the purpose of controlling the delegation in the interests of any man or for any other position, but am a candidate for secretary of state to win. All the candidates for governor and other state positions and many of their supporters are my personal friends. I shall give and expect fair treatment from all."

LaBelle for Stead.
The republicans of La Salle county held a convention to select delegates to the congressional convention of the Twelfth district, which meets on Feb. 4. The delegates were instructed to vote for Charles E. Fuller of Boone county for congress and E. H. Marsh of Winnebago county for member of the state board of equalization. Former Congressman Walter Reeves of Streator was endorsed as one of the delegates from this district to the national convention. The candidacy of W. H. Stead for attorney general on the state ticket was endorsed. The republicans of La Salle county being for Stead's nomination first of all gave no expression as to their sentiments with regard to the rest of the state ticket.

Will Fight for Perry.
For several years Martin E. Madden, with the assistance of Harry B. Postmaster of Du Quoin, has controlled the republican organization of Perry county. As they are opposed to the candidacy of Gov. Yates, some of the governor's friends are demanding a change. Two of the governor's appointees, H. H. Duncan and H. H. Cohn, are there equipped to start a fight against the Madden-Postmaster machine.

Start Fight at Mt. Carroll.
A special despatch from Mt. Carroll says: "The republican county committee met at Shannon today and decided to hold the primaries on Saturday, Feb. 13, at which time all the candidates for governor and congress and representatives to the assembly will be voted upon. The committee will meet on Monday, Feb. 15, to canvass the votes and select delegates to the state, congressional, and senatorial conventions. The Yates administration was in the majority. The Lowden members refused to have anything to do with the calling of the primary, and threaten to call a mass meeting to select delegates to a convention to select the delegates."

Warner in Coles.
A special despatch from Charleston says: "Congressman Vespasian Warner of Clinton visited Coles county Monday. He came from Mattoon at noon and was given a hearty reception at the Charleston house. The old soldiers were numerous among the callers and greeted their comrade in arms cordially. Col. Warner expressed himself well pleased with his prospects of winning the nomination for governor, though he said he expected stronger opposition in Coles than in any other county in his district. He spoke for an hour at the court house to an enthusiastic audience. The republicans of Coles county think the next governor will be Warner or Hamlin, and either will please them."

Logan Has Another.
J. E. Miller of Lincoln, announced his candidacy on the republican ticket for representative from this district to the next general assembly. Mr. Miller was born and raised in Lincoln county. He has held various official positions, having been town collector or Orville township three terms, alderman from the third ward county treasurer of Logan county and mayor of the city of Lincoln. As Logan has carried a democratic ward, as candidate for county treasurer he was the only republican elected on the county ticket, and as candidate for mayor he defeated one of the most popular democrats Lincoln ever presented for public office.

Hamlin in Sangamon.
Attorney General Hamlin has returned to Springfield from a speaking tour of a week's duration in Pike, Vermilion and Iroquois counties. He will devote the present week toward looking after his fences in Sangamon county. He spoke last night in River-ton. A meeting of the Hamlin adherents in the sixth ward was also held at the Hamlin headquarters.

The attorney general spoke last week in Pittsfield, Barry and Griggsville, Pike county; Danville, Rossville and Hopewell, in Vermilion county; and Waukegan in Iroquois county. He stated he was very well satisfied with the reception he was receiving.

In the Hands of His Friends.
Hon. John H. Marshall's friends announced Monday evening that he would be pushed forward as a candidate for congress—Charleston News.

At Danville Friday.
Congressman Vespasian Warner, who is seeking the republican nomination for governor of Illinois, will be in Danville next Friday, Jan. 22. He will be here all afternoon and will have headquarters at the Aetna hotel where he hopes to meet as many republicans as possible. In the evening he will speak in the circuit court room at the court house and he invited all voters to come out and hear him—Danville Commercial.

PIATT'S NEW COURT HOUSE.
The Total Cost Will Be About \$100,000.
J. C. Tippet, the circuit clerk of Piatt county, was in Decatur Tuesday, next Friday, Jan. 22. He will be here all afternoon and will have headquarters at the Aetna hotel where he hopes to meet as many republicans as possible. In the evening he will speak in the circuit court room at the court house and he invited all voters to come out and hear him—Danville Commercial.

is progressing rapidly. The workmen are now finishing the third story. The building is of stone and pressed brick and is a handsome structure. The contract price is \$78,000, but before the building is finished the total cost will probably reach \$100,000.

A WEDDING AT LAKE CITY
Marriage of Miss Orrell Ping to Arthur M. Gresham at Decatur on Wednesday.

MAKE THIS CITY THEIR HOME.

Lake City, Ill., Jan. 19.—The marriage of Arthur M. Gresham of Decatur and Miss Orrell Ping of this place occurred at high noon today at the home of the bride's step-father, Levi Ault, in Lake City. The wedding was quite a handsome one and was attended by about 100 persons, several among the guests being from Decatur. The groom is a bookkeeper in the office of the Standard Oil Co. at Decatur and the bride is a well known young lady of Lake City. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. McMurray, pastor of the Methodist church. As the wedding march was played the bride and groom entered the parlor and the marriage vows were read. The bride wore a handsome light blue gown and carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations. After the ceremony congratulations were received and a wedding breakfast was served. The couple received many handsome presents from their friends. Mr. Gresham and his bride went to St. Louis on their wedding tour and will return to Decatur to make their home.

DISTRESSED, DIRTY, DRUNK
Geo. E. Hathaway and Wife Accumulated a Good Sized Jag and Woman Fell in Mud.

BIG CROWD SAW PITFUL SIGHT
Distressed in appearance and besmeared with mud and snow Mrs. Hathaway accompanied by her husband, George E. Hathaway, was taken to police headquarters Tuesday afternoon for drunkenness.

Hathaway and his wife were seen early in the afternoon. Both were dressed up and about 4:30 o'clock they were seen by the police. They were both drunk and dressed up. Walking was not pleasant at the best and with a good jag to carry it was even more difficult. Mrs. Hathaway had managed to keep in every mud puddle that stood in her way and she was simply covered. The husband was not as drunk as the woman, but the latter was scarcely able to navigate. Finally near the Washburn crossing at Broadway the drunken couple brought matters to a climax by falling into a pool of slush and mud. She was really a pitiful sight.

The patrol wagon was called and a policeman took the couple to police headquarters and were given berths in the city prison for the night. A large crowd was attracted when the arrest was made.

Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.
Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when rising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm, which produces a cough, and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung trouble." Prices 25c, 50c, 1.00 bottle at King's drug store and Bell the druggist.

The Tonic of Delirium.
That all kinds of acute mania are due to some form of blood-poisoning, affected the brain, has been the belief of many authorities; and a German investigator, Dr. Berger, now announces that he has experimental evidence of this, although he is not quite prepared to draw final conclusions. His method has been to inject fluids from the veins of a healthy subject, and he has not only used animals in his experiments, but has also not hesitated to perform some of them on himself. The results show that the blood of a person in delirium is distinctly a brain poison—"Success."

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MAISON HAS DRIVING PARK.

Articles of Incorporation Were Filed Tuesday.

The certificates of incorporation of the Macon Park Association were filed for record in the clerk's office of the circuit clerk Tuesday. The document states that the purpose of the incorporation is to conduct a driving park and pleasure grounds. The capital stock is \$3,000, and the stockholders and the amount of stock held by each are as follows:

W. T. Catherwood \$900
H. R. Woodcock 200
E. L. Light 100
B. A. Schudel 100
F. E. Schudel 100
Anton Beschle 100
M. H. Davis 100
Rollin Giblin 100
Walter Baird 100
All of these stockholders are named as directors for one year.

Death at Monticello.
Mrs. F. A. Winchester of Spokane, Wash., formerly of Monticello died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Alexander in Monticello. Mrs. Winchester was born in Rockingham, Va., in 1828. She came to Piatt county in 1853. Funeral services were held yesterday.

Births.
Ottillie—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ottillie, of East Lawrence street, on Monday, Jan. 18, a son.

IS NOT JUSTIFIED

Grain Buyer Says Actual Conditions Do Not Verify the Cry About Poor Corn

THE INSPECTION TOO RIGID
Elevator Bears are Now on the Bull Side of the Market.

Not a few of the country grain elevators have been compelled to refuse grain because their houses are full and the railroad companies cannot furnish cars fast enough to get the grain out of the houses. Yesterday two country elevator men who happened to be in town commented upon the fact that while the farmers were making a lot of money by getting their grain into the elevators they were compelled to sit by and do nothing. Their houses were filled and they had no cars to load.

The dealer in speaking of the conditions said: "There is a general fear that all of the grain is not in good condition. The farmers themselves are to blame for not a little of that opinion. I noticed in your paper a few days ago that some of the grain inspectors told that the grain would all spoil if there were a few days of warm, wet weather. That, he said, applied to the corn in the elevators as well as the corn in the crib. There were a few days of rain, and the grain was wet and I made it my business to go to my elevator and examine the corn. I always watch it while it is in the house, but this time I was especially careful. It was just as dry as when it went into the house. Of course if I had taken it in when it was mixed with fine ice and snow I would have had trouble. There is never a year that during December, January and February there is not moist corn. It is little worse this year than any other year. George Phillips, the Chicago man, I believe correctly described the situation the other day when he said that the elevator men were on the market now usually bears it. That is the elevator crowd. When they are bears and there is no contract grain in sight, it is an easy matter for them to make a lot of money. But when the elevator men turn out, they are not so easy to get out. No. 2 and meet all of their contracts. He called attention to the fact that while this could be done this year the same as any other year, it would not be done if the elevator men were on the market this time. I believe that he is right about it. There is too much difference between the cash price and the May option. At the country stage, it is an easy matter for them to make a lot of money. But when the elevator men turn out, they are not so easy to get out. No. 2 and meet all of their contracts. 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As they Appeared in the '60s; Veterans of the Civil War

James F. Steele is one of the war veterans who belongs to a group of men who had three sons in the Civil War. He is the son of George R. Joseph and James Steele. He was born Sept. 21, 1861, in Ohio.

Mr. Steele was educated in the common schools and went with his father to the first Bloomington fair in 1881. He was then in the army and when the war broke out he went to the front. He was in the 1st Iowa Cavalry and was with the regiment when it was sent to the front. He was with the regiment when it was sent to the front.

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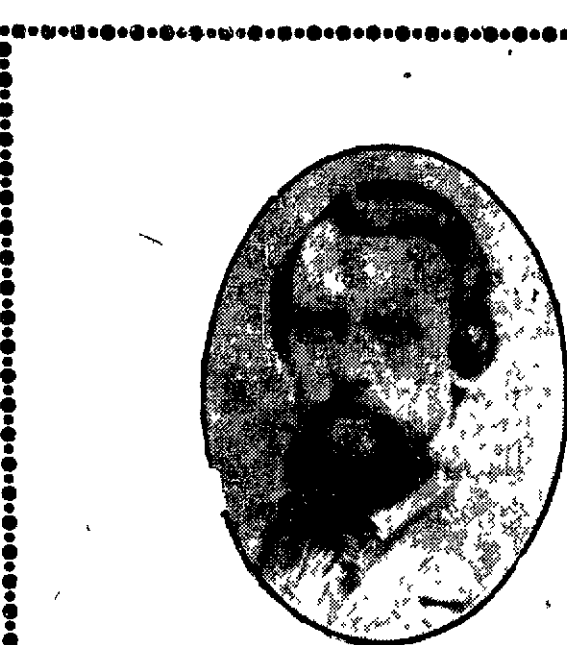
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spending a portion of the time under parole at Decatur, but reporting every two weeks at parole camp. He finally received permission to go home and remained at home until June 29, 1863, when he went to Benton Barracks and from there was sent to Vicksburg.

He remained on duty there until June 1st, when the government ordered to report to Gen. McPherson's headquarters and detailed in the mail service carrying mail from the general's headquarters to Chattanooga. He continued in this mail service until the death of Gen. McPherson at Vicksburg.

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in the city early this morning and Charles Laux who is now at Hot Springs, will be home today. The funeral will be held at 9 a. m. Friday from St. Mary's Catholic church. High mass will be celebrated by Father Murphy and the burial will be at Calvary cemetery.

Mrs. Isaac Eikenberry, whose home is two and one-half miles southeast of La Place, died Tuesday night at St. Mary's hospital, aged 27 years. Blood poisoning was the cause of death.

The body was taken to Dawson's undertaking establishment and will be taken to the home today. The funeral will be held from the residence Thursday morning.

LEWIS WILL PROBATED
Estate is Valued at \$1500.—D. M. Lewis, Administrator.
The will of the late Thomas Lewis was admitted to probate in the county court Tuesday. The will provides that the estate which consist of about \$1500 in notes and money be divided among the children. To Mary Lewis a daughter, is left \$500. To Benjamin Lewis a son is left \$1000. The rest of the estate is to be divided between the two sons Davis and Will Lewis.

Thomas R. McIntosh is named as executor but he refused to accept the office. Mr. Lewis was appointed administrator with the will annexed and gave bond in the sum of \$3000.

ON FOR GOOD.
The Mueller Power Plant was Started Tuesday.
The new power plant at the Mueller factory was started yesterday "for good." Two of the motors have been placed a fifty horse power machine in the foundry and a working department. The belts were not placed on the motors yesterday but will be today and they will be made to pull a load.

Mr. Holtron of the General Electric company was in the city yesterday to look over the machinery and see that everything was in working order and he stated that this was one of the best equipped plants that he had ever seen.

WARRENSBURG.
There is some talk of establishing an electric light plant in Warrensburg. The town has about completed Miss Lulu Hawk of Atlantic visited Miss Elsie Sawyer and the Messrs. Verne Fisher and George Murray of Decatur were callers at C. H. Faith's Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Wade who was visiting her daughter at Illinois was taken suddenly ill last Saturday and Dr. Melton of this place was telephoned for. He says Mrs. Wade has symptoms of pneumonia.

A Guyer has bought the George Phipps property east of the lumber yard for \$700.
Mr. Crawford of Hillsboro was a visitor at H. C. Binkley's Friday and Saturday.

Rev. H. W. Krusan was very agreeable surprised by quite a number of his friends and parishioners on Saturday evening, the occasion being Mr. Krusan's 39th birthday. The callers remembered him with a liberal donation of good things that come handy in the house, and a genuine home-baked cake, hot coffee and many other good things to eat. The evening was passed in playing chess, and at the midnight hour all departed, hoping Mr. Lindsay might live to be a hundred.

END WAS SUDDEN
Mrs. M. L. McDonald Succumbed to Asthma Superinduced by Heart Trouble.
HAD BEEN ILL A FEW HOURS.
Widely Known in Decatur and Vicinity.

Mrs. Mary L. McDonald died suddenly at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning at her home at 312 North Water street. The death was entirely unexpected by the members of the family. Asthma superinduced by heart trouble caused death.

Mrs. McDonald has been a sufferer for some time past and occasionally had severe spells of heart trouble and asthma. She was out doing some shopping Monday afternoon and about 6 p. m. she was taken ill. She had been more seriously ill a number of times before and her death on this occasion was scarcely expected. She died at 6 a. m. Tuesday.

Mrs. McDonald was well known in the city. She had been in the millinery business for the past twenty years. She was born in Terra Haute, Ind., on Nov. 30, 1859. Her maiden name was Mary L. Dean. She was married to Anthony McDonald in Terra Haute. She came to Decatur about thirty years ago. Shortly after she came here her husband died. Mrs. McDonald opened a millinery store on East Main street where she had the establishment for ten or twelve years. Then her daughter was married and went to California, and Mrs. McDonald went with her living in California about eight years she returned to Decatur, and opened a millinery store at 312 North Water street. She conducted that store till her death. She lived in apartments over the store.

SELL TO MINORS

Indictments Against Five Saloon Keepers Returned by the Grand Jury.

CLAIRVOYANTS ARE INDICTED
It is Said the Grand Jury is About Ready to Adjourn.

Five saloon keepers have been indicted for selling liquor to minors. The indictments were returned Tuesday with seven other true bills. The saloon men who were indicted are as follows:
Frank Rehling
John Mattes
John Knotts
Adolph Schlick
August Scholz
Likely all of these men will give bond in court today for their appearance when the cases are called.

Four of the other seven indictments returned Tuesday are against men who are in jail. They are as follows:
Prof. Diana alias Prof. Lamont and Dr. Story alias G. M. Clayton embroiled these are the men who swindled Decatur people and were arrested in Iowa. They worked the clairvoyant game and it is alleged that with another clairvoyant named Marlette they got several thousand dollars from the people.

George Harris was indicted for robbery. He is the man charged with having robbed John Bickley while the latter was going to his home.
John Dose was indicted for burglary and theft. He is charged with having stolen a set of harness.
William Wilson and Maggie Crow, both colored, were indicted for adultery. Wilson has been traveling in rather rough lines lately.

The county court a few days ago and pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, gaming and keeping a gaming house and had fines and costs amounting to about \$200 paid upon him. Now he must stand trial in the circuit court. He and the woman are both in jail.

Quick Work.
The grand jury has been doing some quick work this term. With the twelve indictments returned Tuesday there has been a total of twenty indictments for the term and the business is nearly concluded. It was said Tuesday that the jurors were about through as far as the cases they knew of were concerned, but it was whispered that there would be several matters presented before adjournment.

Deeds Recorded.
Minnie E. Elwood of 3 to Malinda C. Worsham lot 3 in block 3 of Yates & Kings addition to Decatur \$2500.
Ferdinand Uhle to J. Wheeler Brown the north half of lot 1 in block 3 of the village of Blue Mount \$1500.
Thomas Stevens et al to Frank M. Mitchell the south half of lot 1 in block 13 in the village of Blue Mount, \$1800.

C. Myers to Edward F. Droboshak all of the north half of the northeast quarter of section 16, township 15, range 4 east, 1870.
John Diller to Richard H. Brett lot 3 in block 6 of Higgins' addition to Decatur \$1275.
W. Conard to Orville H. Snow lot 8 of the subdivision of the south part of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 13, township 16, range 3 east, \$500.

Amos B. Dellon et al to William P. Day 10 acres off the east side of section 16, township 15, range 4 east, 1870.
Benjamin Bafford to Preston Polk lots 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 in block 8 in Railroad addition to Macon, \$600.
R. H. Woodcock to Macon Park Association lots 10 and 11 in the west half of section 33, township 15, range 2 east \$2500.

AUSTIN.
Miss Blanche Randolph visited at Lyman Buchanan's Sunday and Monday.
Miss Golda Buchanan entertained Monday evening in honor of her cousin, Miss Blanche Randolph, who is soon to depart for her new home in Arkansas. Quite a number of friends were present and the evening was spent in playing chess and billiards.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lahn entertained a company of friends Saturday evening. The evening was spent in dancing.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lakin and daughters, Misses Edith, Jessie and Leon, visited Mr. and Mrs. John McCurdy Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Roney and children went to Gifford Sunday morning in response to a telegram stating that Mrs. Roney's sister, Miss Belle Barnes was very ill. Miss Barnes has been in bed and has many friends who will be grieved to know of her illness.
Mr. and Mrs. R. Hawkyard, Misses Margaret Haldeman, Nora Walton, Bessie Sanford, Racie Parker, Edna Davis, and M. Fowler were Decatur visitors Sunday.

ROVELL.
Uriah James was in Clinton Saturday.
Mrs. W. B. Hutchinson and son, Ernest, were Decatur visitors Sunday. Mrs. W. B. Hutchinson returned to her home in Clinton after a week's visit here with relatives and friends.
Joe Fenton of Maros has finished a job of plastering and papering for Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Stivers entertaining a company of friends Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Milnes of Emery spent Friday visiting at the house of David Schenck.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cox of east of Maros visited relatives here Saturday.
Mrs. August Guckon is on the sick list.
John Bennett of Maros was a business caller here Saturday.
David Blue transacted business in Clinton Monday.
Marion Jenkins and family of Osprey spent Sunday at Ben Cox's.

CARNER.
Protracted meeting is still in progress at this place. Rev. Thorne, the

presiding elder of this district, has been assisting Rev. J. W. Boggs since Wednesday night.

Mrs. E. A. Underwood and daughter, Hazel, were in Casner Saturday calling on friends.
Mrs. Jones and family have moved into Mrs. Huid Robey's house.
Mrs. J. M. Tohill, who has been very sick, is improving slowly. She is now able to sit up part of the time.

Paul Tohill is on the sick list.
A. G. Hill was one of the lucky men of those who made entries in the corn contest at the Farmers' institute. He carried away \$34 worth of prizes.
Jan. 18.

INSTALLATIONS.
Last night the members of Chevalier Bayard Lodge 189, K. of P. installed their newly elected officers after the installation ceremonies there was a spread at Greider's. These officers were installed:
Deputy G. C. J. W. Carter
Chancellor C. C. E. Peck
V. C. John Smith
F. H. John Keas
M. of F. A. H. Cope
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O. G. L. G. Allen
Trustee—S. L. Payne.

Sons of Veterans.
The Sons of Veterans installed officers at a meeting last night. The installation was a public one and there was a large number of visitors present among them being large delegations from the G. A. R. and the W. R. C.
George H. Stoy was the installing officer and the officers installed were:
Captain—J. M. Shultz
First Lieutenant—George H. Stoy
Second Lieutenant—C. O. Smith
Chaplain—R. C. Covington
First sergeant—Chester Hamehek
Quartermaster—sergeant—J. W. Smith.

At the close of the installation the members of the Ladies' Aid society served a luncheon.
Bay Leaf Camp.
The officers of Bay Leaf camp, R. N. of A. who were elected in December, were installed at a meeting last night. The officers are:
O. Pauline Shulke
V. C. Edith Crane
R. C. John Smith
P. O. Mattie Wire
C. Minnie Brewster
M. Laura Gunkle
A. M. Opal Miller
C. S. Mrs. J. M. Miller
O. S. Amanda Barkman
Physicians—Mrs. A. F. Wilhelmy and Clara Garber
Managers—Mrs. B. G. DeGroat, Mrs. Suttman and Max Shulke.

AN OFFER TO BET
Attorney Buckingham Repuked by Judge Philbrick for Improper Language.

IT WAS RATHER SPORTY
Said He Would Wager Ten Dollars on Proposition of Law.

"Taking a chance," as the sporting men say, on a bet does not go in the court room, court room or in the courtroom. It is a fact that Attorney J. H. Buckingham was repuked by Judge Philbrick for improper language.

The incident was in connection with the trial of the chancery case of Richard R. Dingman and others against Hillary Beall and William Lawton. Mr. Buckingham introduced the records to show that a deed had been executed by Beall to the other side claimed that Mr. Buckingham had no right to introduce the records unless he first gave proof of the fact that the original deed had been destroyed.

There was an argument on this point. Mr. Buckingham said that he could show the law. He looked for a few minutes and was then called back to his seat and continued the examination of the witness on the stand. When he had concluded his examination of the witness, Mr. Buckingham had found that law Mr. Buckingham said:
"No, not yet, but I can find it. I'll bet ten dollars."

But here he was stopped by Judge Philbrick who said that such was not proper language in the court room and Mr. Buckingham never got to fully propose the bet he wanted to make.

About Land.
The suit was started for the purpose of securing a sale of land made by Lawton as executor to Beall. Charges of fraud have been made by the heirs of the Dingman estate.
The will provides that the land not especially given to the heirs shall be sold by the executor. A tract of 800 acres was sold to Beall for \$9000. The complainants hold that the price at which the land was sold is too low.

A. Buckingham, Jack and Deek and C. L. Leforge are the defendants in the case. The defendants are J. H. Baldwin, W. E. Fitzgerald, Mills Bros. and Nelson and Whitely are defending.
The entries on the court docket Tuesday were:
Chancery.
William Rothfuss et al vs Anna M. Bolay et al partition, exceptions to master's report.
Sunnie E. Moore vs Matthew Cloney et al chancery, rule on complaint to file replication by next Saturday.
Laura Locer vs Elmer Locer, divorce, defendant defaulted and decree pro confesso.
Andrew J. Foster vs Zeddie B. Foster, divorce, defendant defaulted and decree pro confesso.
Dorvil E. Brooks vs E. J. Strader et al, bill to review decree, default as to all adult defendants not answering and referred to master.

Law Docket.
Susan English vs W. W. English et al, attachment, rule on plaintiff to file interrogatories as to Harry English, administrator.
Henry Brierton vs Decatur Gas and Electric Company, trespass on the case, demurrer to amended declaration.
Saved From Terrible Death.
The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbit, of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skilled physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was surely but slowly taking her life. In the terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It is the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1. Trial bottles 10c at John E. King, Chas. F. Shilling and M. L. Krone's drug store.

A. L. DAY IS NAMED

Succeeded C. E. Taylor As Trainmaster On the Springfield Division of the Illinois Central.

THE BIG CUT-OFF IS SINKING.
Latest Absorption Rumor—Creighton Is a Despatcher—Personal Notes.

A. L. Day late station agent for the Illinois Central at Gale, has been named as the successor to succeed Charles E. Taylor, who recently resigned that position on the Springfield division of the Illinois Central.
Yesterday Supt. C. Dougherty, and Messrs. Day and Taylor were in Decatur looking over the ground and Trainmaster Day had an opportunity to meet the local employees of the company.

The Cut-off Sinking.
A despatch from Salt Lake City, Utah, says that it now appears that the sinking of track on the Ogden-Lucien cut-off across the great Salt Lake is more serious than was first reported. Instead of but 200 feet of track being affected, 1200 feet collapsed. The work of restoring the structure to its former condition will be heavily expensive. The latest settling has occurred out at midlake, near Camp Ten. Supplies for the workmen are now being sent to the lake by way of Tacoma and Hogup, instead of direct from Ogden, as heretofore.

One of the leading officials of the Union Pacific said today that the track had been settling right along, and the present sinking was to the extent of 6 inches on an average. The original estimated cost of this attempt to bridge the great Salt Lake was \$4,000,000. Engineers now say that the cost will exceed \$10,000,000. The day for opening the train cut-off for the run of through passenger trains will have to be postponed until spring, and is indefinite at the best.

The Latest Rumor.
The opinion is gaining ground in railway circles here that the Illinois Central, and the Union Pacific, is the road which is to buy the Chicago & Alton if the Kuhn, Loeb & Co. syndicate acquires enough Alton stock to control the company.
The deal, it is said, is to be completed only if the decision of the United States Supreme court in the Northern Securities merger case is in favor of President Hill. It has been said that a consolidation of the companies would be effected because they are parallel lines. They parallel each other, however, only between Chicago and St. Louis, and a favorable decision in the Northern merger case would remove this similarity.

The Chicago & Alton line could then be maintained for the Alton's Chicago and St. Louis line, and yet it could be directed by the same interests which direct the other Illinois Central-Alton lines. The Chicago & Alton line, the Great Northern, Northern Pacific, and Burlington railroads.

A New Despatcher.
W. H. Creighton has been transferred from the Washburn telegraph office to the despatch office at Decatur. He is acquainted with the work there and has also been out on the road getting acquainted with the sidings, etc.
Fred Mason has been transferred from the down stairs office to the up stairs office at the Washburn telegraph office as night man-in the downstairs office.

Seriously Snubbed.
The Big Four is having trouble with some of its trainmen on the St. Louis division. Five freight conductors have been promoted to passenger conductors and their places filled by men off of other roads. The company has a rule that a man must serve three years in the freight service before he is promoted to conductor, and some of the brakemen claim that they are entitled to promotion.—Terra Haute Tribune.

Cars Scarce.
There is a vast amount of live stock in the territory tributary to the middle division of the Washburn waiting shipment to the markets. It is said that there is not a daily shipment of stock cars amounting to 125 each day. The box car situation is said to be just a trifle easier but the number for distribution is far short of the number that are ordered.

Insurance Co. Election.
The Macon County Mutual Insurance company completed its organization for the year yesterday at noon at the Milliken bank. The officers are:
President—J. H. Miller, rural route No. 4, Decatur.
Secretary—Joshua Green, rural route No. 2, Decatur.
Treasurer—Oliver Gibson, Macon.
Directors—S. P. Nickey, Oliver Gibson, H. C. Taylor, C. W. Green, J. H. Miller, J. L. Brown, J. E. Rucker, T. Brown and J. E. Rucker.

WABASH HOSPITAL NOTES.
D. C. Bentley, a brakeman at Quincy, came to the hospital yesterday with a badly lacerated finger.
A. Eschenlan, a tool grinder of Springfield, is at the hospital suffering with a strain.
C. Temple who has been confined with bronchitis was discharged yesterday.

MASONS AT BULLIVAN.
Installation and Dedication of Hall at Last Evening.
The Masons of Sullivan held an important and interesting exercises there last evening. Officers elected a few weeks ago were installed, the ceremony taking place in the new lodge room which was also dedicated. There was a banquet following the installation. The lodge was composed of Masons from this and other neighboring cities and the ceremony was quite imposing. The lodge has a very handsome meeting place now and the members are proud to be associated with it.

Wonderful Nerve.
Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental cuts, wounds, bruises, burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints. But there is no need for Dr. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best salve on earth for cuts, burns, scalds, John E. King, Chas. F. Shilling and M. L. Krone, druggists.

Made Fortune Blacksmithing.
Matthew Dyer died at Assumption Monday after an illness of several years. He formerly resided at F. and was very wealthy, his fortune being estimated at \$50,000. It is said he made his money as a blacksmith. Mr. Dyer was a native of England.

THE PLAN IS A GO

There are Many Signers For Agreements to Purchase Lots in the New Addition.

DONT MISS THE OPPORTUNITY.
To Share the Profit That Will Accrue to Investors.

Finally the right spirit is abroad in Decatur for there are many persons signing the agreements to take a lot in the new Chamber of Commerce addition and thus assist in bringing to a successful conclusion the enterprise of every man who has accepted invested in a "fast night" while it was known that many agreements had been signed during the day it was not known just how many lots had been sold because the list had not been a full report submitted to Secretary Culver of the Chamber of Commerce.

Various members of that organization are enthusiastically interested in the plan and their enthusiasm is evidenced by the fact that they are signing the agreements to take a lot in the new Chamber of Commerce addition and thus assist in bringing to a successful conclusion the enterprise of every man who has accepted invested in a "fast night" while it was known that many agreements had been signed during the day it was not known just how many lots had been sold because the list had not been a full report submitted to Secretary Culver of the Chamber of Commerce.

At this rate the lots will be sold this week and the scheme will be assured. There is really reason why it should not be so. The property is certain to be in demand and worth the purchase price. In addition to that a purchaser is given a note for \$3000 bearing five percent interest. In a few years he receives the fourth of the purchase price in cash and has the property that is worth more than the money that he paid for it.

It is a surprising thing about the plan that there is any necessity to mention it more than once except that it is on the theory that some had not heard it the first time.
If there is to be any credit for the successful work of adding to the material property of the city it is your own fault if you fail to add to your own private account some of that property.

FOUND CONCEALED KEY
On Man Who Applied for Night's Lodging.

George Kinsey, a wanderer, was arrested Tuesday night for coming to the police headquarters and asking for lodging. He had a key concealed under the lining of his coat and this was found when he was searched. The policeman asked him what he was doing with the key and he said it was

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It is a surprising thing about the plan that there is any necessity to mention it more than once except that it is on the theory that some had not heard it the first time.
If there is to be any credit for the successful work of adding to the material property of the city it is your own fault if you fail to add to your own private account some of that property.

FOUND CONCEALED KEY
On Man Who Applied for Night's Lodging.

George Kinsey, a wanderer, was arrested Tuesday night for coming to the police headquarters and asking for lodging. He had a key concealed under the lining of his coat and this was found when he was searched. The policeman asked him what he was doing with the key and he said it was

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What is needed now as much as anything is panic-proof theaters.

Bryan has one gleam of hope. Ben Tillman says he won't do this year.

Wheat is feeling the war scare in the far east. It is going after cotton.

The persons most interested in the war in the Orient are the members of the meat trust.

Still Mark Hanna does not become a candidate, much to the discomfiture of the democrats and Wall street.

The most likely keynote of the democratic convention in St. Louis July 6 will be "Is it not enough for you?"

January Thaw has been lingering around these parts for the past few days. He is an unwelcome visitor.

There is a move to install a complete fire alarm system in the White House. What is the use when Senator Foraker is so frequent a visitor?

President Palma vetoed the lottery bill. The Cuban congress will try to pass it over his head. It will be a shame if such action be taken.

Senator Morgan proposes to die in the last ditch Niagara, of course. No one will specially grieve over his demise, no matter which ditch.

The Chicago livery drivers' strike has moved to St. Louis. It is predicted that they have learned something about interfering with funerals.

The book agent who could fool Uncle Joe Cannon and make him buy books that were worthless and that he did not want ought to be sure of a steady job at a good salary.

Should the Hon Bill Hearst get to be president he might take a notion to suspend the publication of that ancient public journal, The Congressional Record, to make room for another yellow journal.

Will the disgraceful scenes of violence at funerals and picketing houses of the dead at Chicago be repeated in the St. Louis drivers' strike? If so the strike is lost in advance. People will not tolerate such barbarity.

George Francis Train is dead. He was a queer character. His eccentricity was so marked that he was known throughout the world. He was not exactly insane but bordered so nearly on it and yet had so much acumen as to make him a real psychic study. Four times he encircled the globe and held a record of 60 days for the journey. He was 74 years old.

The new Chicago theater law will permanently close many former fire-traps. All need some important modifications and it will be several weeks before even the best can be opened. The result of this business will be that in a few years Chicago will have the finest, best and safest theaters in the world. What the great fire of 1871 did for the city the firetraps horror will do for the temple of the drama.

The "Iowa idea" has had a small sized resurrection. Gov Cummings' inaugural address breathed into it a few breaths of life. Still the republican party will "stand pat" and continue the unmeasured prosperity of the country by maintaining the protective system. The "Iowa idea" is to plunge the country into a tariff agitation that will make business so democratic as it was from 1892 to 1893 under the Wilson free trade law. Gov Cummings may be a good governor and sincere in his view, but he is not a wise counselor in economic politics.

In discussing old people, the New York Mail and Express says: "How old is an 'old person'? The 'World Almanac' we observe, has named Adeline Patti in its list of 'famous old people of 1904', and she is but 50. It is a long flight from Mme. Patti's bird-like perch on the ladder of time to the ground occupied by Hiram Cronk, aged 94, who heads the honorable list, and who belongs in this catalogue of 'famous old people' simply because his age has made him famous. Mr. Cronk, being but a modest pensioner of the year of 1812, otherwise not illustrious.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Harry Clews declares in his weekly paper that the most noticeable thing is increasing ease of money and the consequent better feeling in banking.

In 1903 the depression in Wall street was largely intensified by the contraction of credit. Future loans were tightly held, and it followed that any relaxation in this regard would stimulate recovery. On the other hand, considerable demands must be made upon the money market by the turning of temporary loans into fixed obligations. New issues of securities in considerable amounts, therefore, inevitable, but not as called the national republican

it is to be remembered that these will be of the better grade, representing actual outlays and not the water so freely poured into the street during the trust mania. All things considered, there are abundant evidences that last year's lessons have been well learned, and that our financial and business leaders are readjusting themselves to a forward movement having a more substantial basis than heretofore. That readjustment has been reached in Wall street in advance of elsewhere, so the recovery in that quarter is more probable than reaction. The whole tone of Mr. Clews' letter is that people have reached a sober, sensible and practical view of the case, and that the year 1904 promises to present healthy business advancement without the feverish speculation that marked the prosperity of 1901 and 1902.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

The other day M. E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four railroad, delivered a speech in Cincinnati, in which he said that he regretted that the Panama canal was not delayed rather than to have stained the national honor. This is what J. S. Hill and all the other railroad men feel as well. They are exceedingly sensitive in regard to the national honor when it comes to seeing a competitive route constructed in the meantime, they feel no compunction in regard to the national honor when it comes to constructing mergers, creating monopolies, charging freight rates and playing such fantastic tricks before high heaven as makes the angels weep. When there is a chance that their nefarious arts and practices will be interrupted by an appeal to the true principles of trade, they roar like bulls of Bushan and want the national honor protected at any price, when the fact is they are doing everything they can to stain the national honor by issuing bogus stock, watered certificates and indulging in all sorts of financial tricks. The operations of the railroad magnates have done more to stain the national honor abroad than that of all other things combined.—The Star.

SAM JONES ON FOOLS.

Sam Jones says things with coarseness sometimes but he always says things and you always know what he means. On a lecture trip, in Texas recently he unboomed himself to a reporter concerning the effect on southern democrats who oppose the Panama treaty. He said that "If Bailey and Culberson oppose and defeat the canal treaty, their names will be Dennis, and they will be retired to private life, in my judgment. The people of Texas had rather have the ditch dug than to see a dozen democratic presidents elected."

"The democrats are getting ready to act the fool again, for the perjury of the republican party never availed the democrats anything. Every time the republicans act the rascal, the democrats act the fool. The people of the south want the Panama canal more than they want any fellow in office who will oppose it. Some democrats have no more sense than to oppose and fight anything and everything a republican will do. Every fellow is some sort of a fool. I don't suppose Bailey and Culberson are exceptions to the general rule."

Senator Bailey has authorized a statement that rather than vote for the treaty he would retire to private life. He may get a chance to face his own music sooner than he thinks.

SENSIBLE, BUT LATE.

The union in New York to which Sam Parks belonged has at last come to its senses. It was the Housewives' and Bridgemen's union. They have voted unanimously to drop the names of Sam Parks, Timothy McCarthy and William S. Devery from the membership books, abolish the office of walking delegate, and to make a last effort for peace with their employers. Two walking delegates who succeeded Parks and McCarthy resigned and the office was then voted out of existence. There will be no more walking delegates in Parks' old union, at least not until the union has made peace with the employers and the men are at work. Parks and McCarthy are now serving terms for extortion at Sing Sing. Devery was an honorary member of the union and had befriended Parks when he first was arrested by furnishing bonds for a large sum.

CLEVELAND AND OLNEY.

One thing at least seems clear, and that is that if Mr. Cleveland can be nominated neither can Mr. Olney. For the influences that would prevent the nomination of the ex-president would oppose with equal vigor the man who has thus definitely arrayed himself with the advocates of Mr. Cleveland's nomination. As far as Mr. Olney is concerned, therefore, it is to be said that he has either made or ruined a candidate. It would be interesting to know what Gorman, Hill, and Parker think of Mr. Olney's speech. We think we can guess what Col. Watson thinks of it. Has the boot really been launched? If so, it is destined to reach port?—Indianapolis News.

Marshall Field, the richest merchant in the world, did not allow himself to be moved by the suggestion of those who wanted to tap his pocketbook. It will be recalled that the devil took the Son of God up on a high mountain and offered him all the land he could see on certain impossible conditions. The fact that he did not have even a tax title to a single foot of ground did not deter the evil one from the presumptuous offer. Marshall Field probably had this in mind when he said to the seductive boomer "get thee behind me, Satan."

Another obstacle to the perfect serenity of the democratic press has been removed. Chairman Mark Hanna has called the national republican

convention. No designs upon the presidency are discernible in the call. It follows along the lines pursued for a half century. From this no ulterior designs are apparent. Hanna does nothing contrary to the position he has frequently taken. He is not himself a candidate and is for Roosevelt a twenty-four hours' further delay in calling the convention would have meant to the anxious democratic papers a great menace to the president.

DIETRICH THE GRAFTER.

It is inconceivable, furthermore, that the highest legislative body in the land should consent to retain as a member a man guilty of the sort of grafting which Dietrich is known to have practiced. The absurd technicalities by which the courts seem to be continually hampered in the administration of justice are not binding on the United States senate, which ought, certainly, to cherish far too much respect for its boasted prestige and for the memory of many patriots who have added lustre to its history to tolerate the fellowship of as cheap and shameless a jobber as Dietrich.—Kansas City Star.

The Rev. Dr. Marquis of Chicago preached at the First Presbyterian church last Sunday. In the beginning he announced that the sermon he would deliver was preached by him in the old Presbyterian church in Decatur in August, 1863. From the wealth of wisdom, the choice scholarship, the faultless diction, the simple, strong presentation of truth it is more than evident that the over 40 years which have intervened have added much to the thought of the young preacher of the early 60's. Dr. Marquis is a great preacher. He is thoroughly orthodox, generously liberal and with a master mind brings things new and old from the treasure house of biblical lore. The sermon of last Sunday morning is a classic and should be printed that it may be read of all men.

The Bloomington street car strikers have installed an autohack service in competition with the street cars. They will parallel all the car lines and charge a 5-cent fare with transfers. This is a far better means of fighting than a resort to violence. If enough vehicles can be procured the receipts of the street car company will show that there has been a fight.

The senate committee has reported favorably the Panama treaty after a month's delay in hearings. Yet Morgan complains that the committee is proceeding with undue haste. He has not had a chance to be heard. Poor man! Alabama should make itself heard at the next senatorial election and retire to well-earned solitude the man who as an obstructionist has become a general nuisance.

The government has decided to curtail its livery bills. At present a mile and a half of carriages are kept at public expense to transport all classes and kinds of public officials at Washington. Hereafter this is to be confined to the "president of the United States, heads of executive departments and secretary to the president." The others must walk.

Two of Ohio's former governors have died within ten days. Charles Foster came first. Asa Bushnell went to his funeral. On his way home he was stricken and only lasted a few days. Death is no respecter of persons. He takes former governors as ruthlessly as former ditch-diggers or wash-women.

It is claimed that the Great Salt Lake is drying up. That is more than the anti-Smoother people are doing. They think that Mormonism is incipient treason and boldly demand that the senate shall not allow an apostle of polygamy to sit in its deliberations. So long as they are right why should the anti-Smoother dry up?

Bloomington miners are a sensitive lot. The company preferred to pay on Saturday. The agreement was to pay on the 15th which came on Friday. Because pay day was a day later 700 miners went on strike. It is such foolishness as this that disgusts the public with some labor leaders. There was no question about the ability or willingness of the coal company to pay.

James L. Blair of St. Louis seems to have saved himself much grief by dying. He was under indictment for forgery and out on \$10,000 bonds. His life was insured for about \$1,000,000. Death sometimes appears as a welcome messenger.

The fact that "Fighting Bob" Evans was halted at Honolulu on his way home and ordered back to the orient goes to show that the authorities at Washington believe that there is to be some genuine battling in Japanese waters.

McClellan is starting in as a reform mayor. Police Commissioner McAdoo has ordered that gambling should go and it is said that New York comes nearer being free from publicly protected gambling houses than at any time for a quarter of a century. A new broom, etc.

It is a wise physician who refrains from taking his own medicine. Russia prepared The Hague tribunal to settle international disputes and avoid war. The troubles with Japan might suggest the use of the peace agency, but they do not.

The United Mine Workers are in session at Indianapolis. John Mitchell stands forth as a giant. So long as the miners follow his able and conservative leadership they will prosper. His annual address will commend itself to the people of the country as an able document.

At Bloomington.

Colonel Warner will visit Bloomington this afternoon and evening, holding receptions at the Illinois hotel. It is not announced that he will speak.

St. Paul, Minn., does it differently. Men who spit on the sidewalks are compelled to take their handkerchiefs and mop up the nastiness. In Decatur they respect the law and spit in the gutter.

Twelve years ago, Jan. 19, 1892, the patent for the modern trolley car was issued. Think what a dozen swift years have wrought in urban transportation? Surely the age of miracles is scarcely past.

The statement that Bryan would edit a Hearst paper at St. Louis was absurd from the beginning. No one could satisfy the rich yellow journalist but a tool of his own. Even Bryan is not yellow enough for Hearst.

The prohibition convention will not be held in Kansas City after all. It will be held in Indianapolis. The prohibs were afraid of the hoodoo of being a Kansas City convention. It might lose them the presidency.

Mr. Bryan changeth not. He still thinks the Kansas City platform holy. A few additions are all that will be needed at St. Louis. He will have them ready.

Seth Low, lately retired mayor of New York, was 54 years old yesterday. Mr. Low has been a distasteful leader of thought and action in the empire state.

The People's Journal says that a man who drew a \$10,000 prize in a lottery died of "heart failure" on being informed that his neighbor, of what else could he die?

The Franklin Union, Press Feeders, has gone into the hands of a receiver for non-payment of a \$1,000 fine imposed by Judge Haldon for contempt of court.

Ald. Brennan is in prison in Chicago for buying votes. Branding vote buyers as criminals instead of clever politicians is a hopeful sign.

Bryan says that he will print the Commoner every day in St. Louis during the convention. Otherwise how would the delegates know what they are to do?

Smoot is on the senatorial gridiron but so far it does not appear to be very hot. Things may warm up, however.

This is the anniversary of the birth of Gen. Robert E. Lee, the ideal general of the southern confederacy. He was born in 1807.

President Roosevelt is in political peril. Golden Rule Jones is for his reelection. Roosevelt is a rugged man, but he can't stand everything.

Ogle county will hold the first convention. It is generally believed to be for Lowden, although Gov. Yates is contesting every inch of the ground.

When Decatur business men start to do things there is always something doing. See proceedings of Chamber of Commerce.

The New York Post says that "Signs point to Parker." Hearst democrats are not a bit superstitious. They do not believe in signs.

Had Edgar Allen Poe lived he would be 95 today. He seems to have lived much further away.

Some big real estate transfers may be expected at the end of a war between Russia and Japan.

American meat, American flour, and Missouri mules will be the sinews of war if Japan and Russia fight.

Richard Yates, Illinois' great war governor, was born Jan. 18 1818, the year in which Illinois became a state.

The Missouri mine is viewing these war stories with alarm.

PEORIANS HARD AT WORK

Have Named Committees To Make Fight for the Coming Republican State Convention.

IN THE FIELD OF POLITICS.

Peoria is hopeful of securing the republican state convention. A call has been issued for a meeting of the committee which has in hand the task of securing the sinews of war and sometimes of politics, which will be held Thursday evening. The committee has been at work for a week and reports having made considerable progress and hopes at this meeting to complete the still city bid Springfield and Peoria seem to be the only competitors for the convention at that place.

Attorney General Hamlin in Logan, Mo., last night. The remainder of the week he will spend in Logan county, speaking at Atlanta tomorrow, and on Friday, at Mt. Pulaski.

Judge Sherman Will Speak. Judge Lawrence V. Sherman addressed a political meeting at Table Grove, Fulton county, last night. Thursday night he will be at Canton, Fulton county, speaking for that day, and on Saturday Judge Sherman will go to Springfield to remain until after the love feast.

Effingham Democrats. The democratic county central committee of Effingham county has fixed the time of the county primary election for the selection of the county officers for March 18. R. C. Harsh appeared before the committee and withdrew from the congressional race, and George M. Leconte received the instructions of the committee for congress. Charles H. Kelly was endorsed for the legislature.

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Jan. 19.—The Port Arthur Mail cables that the Russian diplomatic agent in East, Severely, has been severely criticized by the Japanese government for his attitude toward the proposed treaty with China. Severely, who is a well-known diplomat, is reported to have been very outspoken in his criticism of the Japanese position. He is said to have been very friendly to the Japanese, but his attitude toward the proposed treaty was very unfavorable. He is said to have been very friendly to the Japanese, but his attitude toward the proposed treaty was very unfavorable. He is said to have been very friendly to the Japanese, but his attitude toward the proposed treaty was very unfavorable.

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ADDRESS AT BAR ASSOCIATION.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 19.—The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the State Bar association was held here today.

An address was delivered tonight by Foster, Secretary of State, on the subject of "What the United States has done for International Arbitration."

Foster's address was a review of the history of the efforts in behalf of international arbitration by the United States. Beginning at the period immediately following the French revolution, Foster traced the progress of arbitration and the almost invariable success in that direction up to the present time. He declared that "the great event of all time in respect to international arbitration was The Hague peace conference in 1899, which resulted in the organization of The Hague permanent court of arbitration."

In this connection he cited the fact that America was the first to show its faith in that tribunal by resorting to it with Mexico for settlement of a question of long standing of diplomatic controversy.

He also cited the fact that President Roosevelt, instead of accepting the proposition that he act as arbitrator between England and Germany Great Britain and Italy, he referred them to The Hague, and, that acting upon his suggestion that affair was carried there and amicably decided, the nations concerned in the meantime stopping their warfare operations. He referred also to the decision of the Alaskan boundary question as a triumph for the principle of arbitration.

Managers Give It Up

SAY THAT IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO REOPEN CHICAGO PLAY HOUSES.

DURING THE PRESENT SEASON

Requirements of Enabling Act Adopted By Council Are Not Much Better Than the Ordinance Itself.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—The city council tonight took action that will, in all probability, result in closing nearly all the theatres in Chicago for the remainder of the present theatrical season. Last night the council passed an ordinance setting forth what must be done by the theatres before they are allowed to be reopened in the city. It is expected that the ordinance will be adopted.

The Mohawk Valley.

Pondra, N. Y., Jan. 19.—All records for cold weather have been broken in the Mohawk Valley the official thermometer registering 38 degrees below zero here today. Trains on the New York Central were from two to three hours late. Telegraph and telephone companies were badly crippled.

In Connecticut.

New Haven, Jan. 19.—Extreme cold again prevailed in Connecticut today. The temperature here equals the lowest official record of the season, six degrees below zero. Much lower thermometer readings were reported from outside points, and especially from Litchfield Mills, where it was 24 to 41 below.

At Boston.

Boston Jan. 19.—Railway travel was again badly interfered with today, owing to the recurrence of extreme cold weather.

At 8 a. m. the temperature was 5 below in this city. In northern New England, during the night the mercury stood 10 below and even lower at some points.

THE GRAND JURY.

Interesting Table Compiled Concerning the Grand Jurors.

A member of the grand jury has compiled the following interesting table showing politics, birthplace, age and weight of the members.

John Johnston, (G. D.), Scot. 41 145

J. E. Chapman, (D.), Eng. 51 155

J. Dempster, (R.), Ohio 53 150

Sam Thrift, (D.) Ill. 56 135

Josephus Vest, (R.), Ohio 50 160

F. C. Meyer, (D.) Ill. 32 141

Frank Fahrenkoph, (D.), Ger 47 210

Wm H. Hale, (D.), Pa. 45 130

W. H. Smith, (D.), Ill. 42 135

Frank Crum, (D.), Ill. 45 140

J. A. Kohler, (R.) Pa. 51 165

F. A. Sloaner, (D.) Pa. 44 155

C. C. Meyer, (D.) Ill. 45 135

J. M. Biddle, (R.) Ky. 56 165

Oscar Bromly, (D.) Ill. 32 127

T. P. Pierce, (R.) Ill. 47 165

Alva Beck, (D.) Ill. 40 163

B. Harner, (D.) Ill. 54 160

R. C. Bradlee, (D.) Ill. 48 170

John Schudel, (R.) Switz. 59 125

Geo W. Shively, (R.), Ohio 61 164

S. B. Stewart, (R.), Ill. 35 280

Frank Brackett, (D.), Ky. 26 189

All Night Session.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—The city council after an all night session, passed the theater building ordinance. The result is a much more stringent measure than had been prepared by the special committee on theaters.

Under the new ordinance all future theaters of Chicago must be fireproof throughout, located on the street level in fireproof buildings and surrounded on all sides by fireproof passages with direct exits to two public thoroughfares.

GERMAN TRADE WAS GOOD

Instead of Facing a Deficit of \$17,000,000 There is a Surplus of \$5,000,000.

HERO KROECHER IS PRESIDENT.

Berlin, Jan. 19.—The lower house of the Austrian diet today re-elected by a majority of 100 votes, Hans Kroecher, president, and Herren Porsch and Krause vice presidents.

When Finance Minister Rheinbaben introduced the budget he said that owing to a revival of trade a surplus of \$5,000,000 was expected for 1904 instead of the anticipated deficit of \$17,750,000. The government also hoped to dispense with a loan in 1904.

The estimates for 1904 place the revenue at \$760,201,232, the ordinary expenditure \$855,565,167, and the extraordinary expenditure at \$43,636,055.

The budget contains an item of \$357,000 above the ordinary provision for combating the Pan-Polish agitation in upper Silesia. Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars are allocated for the first installment for the erection of a royal castle at Posen, and \$12,500 to cover the initial expenses of reconstructing the royal opera house.

HENRY C. RYBOLT DEAD.

An Old and Wealthy Citizen of Kenney.

Kenney, Ill., Jan. 19.—At his home in this city at 7 15 Sunday evening occurred the death of Henry C. Rybolt, one of the oldest citizens of this part of the country and the wealthiest. He had been declining for the past two years, but died within a few days. He was born in Clarion, Pa., and was a resident of Kenney for many years. He was a member of the Kenney church and was a very successful business man. He was a member of the Kenney church and was a very successful business man. He was a member of the Kenney church and was a very successful business man.

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W. P. HUNTER

Died At His Home On North Main Street Wednesday Night After Illness of Seven Weeks.

WAS PIONEER COMMISSION MAN.

Had Been In Business Many Years and Was Old Settler.

William Preston Hunter, one of the old residents of Decatur, died at 10:30 o'clock Wednesday night at his home, 586 North Main street, aged 55 years and two months.

Mr. Hunter had been afflicted with a complication of stomach trouble confined to his home for seven weeks. He rapidly grew worse and for the past three weeks it has been known that he could not possibly recover and his death was not unexpected. All of his three children were at Mr. Hunter's bedside when he died.

Native of Illinois.

William P. Hunter was born in Madison county, Ill., and was one of the old settlers of Decatur. Before he came to Decatur many years ago he resided in Taylorville.

He was married Jan. 2, 1861, to Miss Martha Brown, who died Dec. 20, 1892. Three children survive. They are Asberry Hunter of Decatur; Mrs. Charles Schwab, wife of Dr. Leslie Schwab, of Chicago, and Miss Madeline Hunter, who also lives in Chicago.

Old Commission Man.

Mr. Hunter was for many years the proprietor of a commission house in Decatur. His son was associated with him part of the time. They had an establishment on North Park street for many years and then went out of business but again opened a smaller commission house in North Water street. Recently Mr. Hunter has been conducting the Asberry Extract company establishment at 729 North Water street and was engaged in that business at the time of his death.

Mr. Hunter was a Mason and formerly was a member of the lodge at Taylorville. He was well known among the business men and was highly respected among his friends.

The time of his death had not yet been decided upon but will probably be Friday or Saturday.

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN

An Eccentric Character Who Died a Few Days Ago Had a Remarkable History.

ONCE PAID DECATUR A VISIT.

George Francis Train who died a few days ago was a wholly unknown person in this city. He visited here about 12 years ago on some eccentric mission and remained in the city for several days.

He probably was one of the most peculiar figures in the history of America. Only a year ago, when he was 74 years old, he dictated the reminiscences of his extraordinary career and the result was published in book form by his own eccentric publisher, this contained the following information about his career:

Shipping clerk, 16; manager, 18; partner in Train & Co., 20, with an income of \$10,000.

Established firm George Francis Train & Co., Melbourne, Australia, 1853; agent White Star Line, income \$50,000.

Started forty clippers to California in 1854.

Built railroad connecting Erie with Ohio and Mississippi.

Pioneered the first street railway in Europe, America, Australia and England.

Built first Pacific railway, 1862-1869, through Credit Mobilier.

Owned 6000 lots in Omaha, worth \$3,000,000.

Been in fifteen jails without a crime.

Mr. Train's parents, a book publisher and a sister, died at New Orleans from yellow fever, and his childhood home was on his grandmother's farm in Massachusetts, not long after entering the Boston shipping house, he was by his own account, a wanderer and from that time on he wandered all over the globe.

In 1873 he began a career as lecturer and agitator and held public debates with some of the ablest debaters of the country. A few years ago he made a trip around the world in sixty days, saying afterwards that his "psychic force" enabled him to overcome all obstacles.

One of the features of his eventual life was his admiration for children, and for years a familiar spectacle in Madison Square was "Citizen" Train on a bench surrounded by a group of little ones.

Mr. Train's last misadventure occurred last summer, when he was quarantined at Stamford, Conn., in a small-pox isolation camp, and threatened with a city fine of \$1000.

He was the author of at least forty books, and frequently asserted that his "psychic power" eventually would make him the most potent sovereign of the earth.

STREET CAR HIT COAL WAGON.

And Came Out Slightly Damaged as the Result.

Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock street car No. 30 met with a little mishap on East Eldorado street. The car was going along at a pretty swift clip when it struck a coal wagon which had just turned out of Illinois street. The front end of the car was pretty badly smashed in and the head light was broken to bits.

WABASH HOSPITAL NOTES.

Peter Kronz of Springfield, who has been at the hospital with a sprained knee, was sent home yesterday.

R. I. Ervin of Springfield was sent home yesterday. He had a sprained knee.

C. B. Doolittle of this city, who has been confined at the hospital with appendicitis, was discharged yesterday.

There are now about twenty patients in the hospital.

M. J. HOURAN HURT.

Vandalia Engineer Had Head Badly Cut.

M. J. Houran, a Vandalia engineer, had his head badly cut yesterday afternoon when about ready to start on his run. Mr. Houran was standing near his engine when a large chunk of coal fell and struck him on the head making an ugly gash and cutting one of the arteries. Mr. Houran was taken to his home and the Vandalia surgeon, Dr. H. C. Jones, was called and he dressed the wound.

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DEATH OF MRS. HEMSTREET

Well Known Resident Passed Away Yesterday Afternoon.

Mrs. A. B. Hemstreet died yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at her home, 507 East Green street. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Mrs. Hemstreet was well known to the older residents of the city, having formerly made her home here. About twelve years ago she moved away from Urbana with her family, but returned to this city last November. Her husband, who survives her, is employed in the paint department of the Big Four slaughter house.

She is survived by her husband, three children are left to mourn her loss. They are Mrs. Lulu M. Lister, of Decatur, Lloyd, 21 years old, and Gordon, 17 years old, of Urbana, Courier.

PARALYSIS STOPS WEDDING

Burgess-Oughton Nuptials At Monticello Set For Last Evening Were Indefinitely Postponed.

Monticello, Jan. 20.—Special to the Herald.—The wedding of Lewis C. Burgess and Miss Mary L. Dighton, which was to have taken place at Monticello, Ill., on Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock was indefinitely postponed on account of the illness of the groom.

Last Saturday he suffered a stroke of paralysis but it was not until late this afternoon that it was finally decided that the wedding should not take place. The young folks hoped up to the last minute that the plans as originally made, at least so far as concerned the wedding ceremony, would be carried out, but the doctors concluded that this was anxious that this should be done, but his condition has not improved materially since the first stroke and there is danger of course of a subsequent attack.

The groom is a son of the publisher of the Platt County Republican and the bride who was to have been, is one of the wealthy young ladies of this county, being a sister of John and Will Dighton, the bankers. Much sympathy is manifested for the couple. They had intended leaving for Chicago after their marriage where they were to have been joined by Bert England and Miss Nellie Kirby who are to be married tomorrow night and the couples have intended going to the south on an extended wedding tour.

PROTEST STATE TAX RATE

Governor Yates Insists That It Should Be 7 Cents Lower Which Would Raise Plenty of Money.

Gov. Yates filed his long promised protest against the rate fixed by the commission recently.

When the commission met, after the board of equalization had concluded its work, the governor recommended that the rate be lowered from 10 to 7 cents, because a smaller tax rate would probably raise sufficient revenue to meet the expenses of the state government, the commission should fix a lower rate, and he held out for a 45 cent rate instead of a 52 cent rate as necessary to meet the requirements of the legislative act. The auditor and treasurer voted together and the rate was fixed at the figure required by law.

In his letter Gov. Yates devotes his entire protest to calculations on the amount of revenue needed for the year, sufficient, the governor contends, to meet any exigencies that are likely to arise.

Joke In Prohibition Town.

One of the jokes of the Strasburg the other day to do some trading. He came back on the morning train with a shoe box under his arm. By some mistake he let it fall and it was full of rum. He picked it up and hid it in his pocket and ran through the cracks of the depot platform.—Stewardson Clipper.

FOR MURDER OF CHILD.

Coroner's Jury Recommends That Mary Jane Sked Be Held.

Precept, Ill., Jan. 20.—The coroner's jury today recommended that Mrs. Mary Jane Sked be held on the charge of murdering her nephew, James Remington, four years of age, who died mysteriously several days ago.

Died in Missouri.

Frank Ferris, of the Morgan street home, here, received a letter announcing that his niece, Fannie daughter of Allen D. and Ida Ferris died at their home in St. Genevieve, Mo., on Monday, January 18. The child was 18 months old. At first she had whooping cough, but later had the pneumonia developed. The interment was at St. Genevieve on Tuesday.

Fairmont Men Are Game.

The famous oil prospectors are game. They were down 1200 feet now and no gas or oil has been discovered, but at a meeting held there this week the stockholders of the company decided to keep the drills at work and expend the money on the additional expense. There are good indications and the stockholders are still confident that either oil or gas will be found.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Vera Clements.

Vera, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Clements, died Tuesday night at the family home, 1442 North Union street.

The body was taken to Blue Mound last night for burial.

MARRIED.

Chumlet-Barry.

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CZAR HAS MADE AN APPEAL

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To Influence Japan to Moderate Her Demands.

London, Jan. 21.—Lord Lansdowne, British ambassador in Tokyo, today made a formal appeal to the Japanese government to moderate its demands. He stated that the Russian government is willing to negotiate on an equal basis, and that he hoped that the Japanese government would do the same. He also stated that the British government is willing to support Russia in her efforts to maintain her rights in Manchuria and Korea.

Chinese Send Re-inforcements. Shanghai, Jan. 21.—The viceroys of Nankai and Wu-Chiang are sending the best troops to reinforce the army commanded by Yuan-Shi-Kai, viceroy of Chi Li province.

Russian Fleet Moving East. St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—Nine Russian torpedo boats have arrived here from the Baltic. The Russian fleet is moving eastward to meet the Japanese fleet.

Japan Cruiser Sails. Yokohama, Jan. 21.—The Japanese cruiser Kasuga sailed from here today for the east coast.

Arming Korean Rabble. Seoul, Jan. 21.—The emperor of Korea has ordered 1,000 Korean revolutionaries and clubs to be distributed to the rabble who are nominally secret but are dangerous element. Many are leaving Seoul, fearing trouble.

More Peaceful. London, Jan. 21.—Special dispatches from Peking reflect the more peaceful feeling which prevails there. A little change, however, is to be observed in the dispatches from Tokyo, which present the situation as unchanged.

ELEVATED WAS TIED UP.

Ran and Sleet Put the Chicago Line Out of Business.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—As the result of a run and sleet service on the south side of the city, the elevated was paralyzed for several hours today. The sleet was so thick that it was impossible for the cars to run. The elevated was out of business for several hours.

INTERURBAN CARS SNOWBOUND

On Line Between Kenosha and Milwaukee Can't Be Reached.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—The Chicago and Milwaukee interurban line is snowbound. The cars cannot be reached. The line is out of business for several hours.

EXPERT INVESTIGATION

Of Secretary of Interstate Commerce Commission Shows Record.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Treasury officials who have been investigating the office of Secretary Moxley of the interstate commerce commission, have made a partial report. They state the ac-

counts are absolutely correct and in excellent condition, but criticize the method of financial administration in two or three particulars.

WAS ONCE WORTH MILLIONS

George Francis Train Died Penniless, Remnant of Property Being In Litigation.

THE BODY LIES IN STATE.

New York, Jan. 20.—The body of George Francis Train, who died yesterday, has been removed from Mill's hotel to a mortuary chapel, where it will lie in state until the funeral hour tomorrow. Thousands of children in whom Mr. Train displayed remarkable interest, are expected to take a farewell view of the remains. The funeral will be private and the interment will be made in Greenwood cemetery.

Of his once considerable fortune, Mr. Train retained nothing personally except the interest he had in 3,000 lots he once owned in Omaha. Protracted litigation has taken place about them and will, it is said, be continued by his daughter.

SUGGESTION TO AID CHICAGO

Make the Canal Navigable For Big Ships Caused Rumpus In National Board of Trade.

OTHER CITIES ARE JEALOUS.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The report of the committee on rivers and harbors of the National Board of Trade caused considerable feeling and when it was moved to re-commit the report, George Anderson, chairman of the committee, declared he was not sure there ever would be another meeting of the board if this were done. It was finally decided to re-commit only those portions not approved by the board. Among the items recommended was a recommendation that the Chicago drainage canal be increased in size by the United States for navigation to the gulf, opposition developing from Cleveland, New York and Boston delegates who broadly intimated Chicago should build her own canal. The board recommended the recommendation of the transportation committee asking the enactment of a federal law enforcing the prompt furnishing of means of transportation without discrimination, and for a uniform charge for the detention of facilities whether detention be at originating point or destination.

GET SMALL CONSOLATION

Judge Hallett Of United States Court At Denver Commends Governor And Refused To Interfere.

IN DISPUTE AT CRIPPLE CREEK.

Denver, Colo. Jan. 20.—Judge Hallett, in the United States district court today, after consideration of the Shuman Parker habeas corpus case against the military authorities of Colorado, announced his court is without jurisdiction in the matter. Parker is a union miner of Cripple Creek held by the military but without warrant. Judge Hallett upholds the right of the state authorities to hold prisoners. "The governor as the executive of the state," says Hallett, "is authorized and required to enforce the law, and if in doing so, he finds it necessary to call out the militia and use the power of the state he should do so. The matter of how the state should enforce the law is not for the federal government to say. The supreme court of the United States has decided that when authorities of a state are engaged in execution of laws of state, the courts of the United States have no authority to set them aside."

In concluding Judge Hallett says: "The people of the state are to be congratulated on having a governor who will enforce the law. The court will not interfere with him in the execution of his duties."

FIRES

Brighton, Colo. Jan. 20.—The Adams county court house burned today. Loss \$40,000. All the county records were lost, including the assessment rolls. The destruction of the latter may result in the additional loss of \$50,000.

OFFER FOR PEORIA PARK.

Wealthy Citizen Has \$800,000 to Give Under Certain Conditions. Peoria, Jan. 20.—The park board announced that he has received an offer from a wealthy Peorian with no children but who refuses to reveal his name just now of \$800,000 for the purpose of condemning two blocks of business houses in the central portion of the city and establishing a park on the river front. The offer is conditioned only on the city or county making certain improvements to the courthouse, which will face the park.

UNITED MINE WORKERS

Consider a Number of Resolutions at Indianapolis Convention.

Indianapolis, Jan. 20.—At the opening of the United Mine Workers' convention resolutions offered by delegates were read. One aimed at Ohio and Pennsylvania operators who run non-union mines in West Virginia, which prohibits any state or district from signing a wage scale with such operators was tabled as was another resolution from an Iowa delegate providing that all earnings of miners of over \$3.50 per day be turned into a general fund. A shot flares resolution was adopted.

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN PELL CASE

First Wife Brings Suit Against Divorced Husband.

New York, Jan. 20.—Mrs. Anna Ogden Pell, from whom Duncun C. Pell, club and society man, automobilist and polo player, obtained a decree of divorce in Florida on the ground of desertion, today was granted by Justice Fischer, in the supreme court, an injunction against the divorce from him on the ground of his relations with Miss Helen Gardner, whom he married after he had obtained his Florida divorce. Mrs. Pell maintained that the Florida decree was not binding in New York, as she had not recognized it by appearing or defending it. Mrs. Pell, who was Miss Anna Ogden Pendleton, a member of one of the oldest of the Staten Island families prior to her marriage, was married at New Brighton on December 14, 1892. The couple went to Florida to live. Dissensions soon arose and they separated. Mrs. Pell started his divorce proceedings there in 1902, and when he obtained the decree married Miss Helen Louise Gardner.

JONES TRIES ONCE MORE

TO EXPLAIN WHY HE REMOVED IROQUOIS STAGE SKYLIGHT THE DAY AFTER FIRE.

GETS ALL TANGLED UP

Pressure Will Be Brought to Bear On Council to Admit Re-opening Of Theaters.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—David Jones, former manager of the Fuller Construction company, was the star witness this afternoon at the theater inquest.

Jones was the man who removed the skylights from the theater the day following the fire and in endeavoring to explain why he did this he tangled himself all up and failed to make a satisfactory explanation. He admitted he removed the skylights and claimed he did so because he was afraid they would fall and hurt somebody. He admitted he knew it was the work of the police and fire departments to remove portions of the burned building and when the coroner asked what business he had meddling with any portion of the theater building even if it was dangerous he again resorted to the claim that he feared somebody would be hurt if the skylight fell. He denied that he was sent there to destroy evidence. Jones at first denied that he had talked with any official of the Fuller Company between the times he removed the skylights and the time he visited the coroner's attorney, but later admitted that he did talk with the company's superintendent.

A movement was made today indicating an attempt will be made at the council meeting next Monday to revise the new theater ordinance so as to allow the re-opening of the theaters for the remainder of the season. Many citizens are opposed to re-opening them until the theaters are made absolutely safe, and there is likely to be a strong fight in the council before any action looking to the further relief of the theaters is made.

GERMS ON YOUR MONEY

Expert Finds \$6,090,423 on an Old One Dollar Bill and Thinks Some Escaped.

AN INTERESTING TEST MADE.

Milwaukee, Jan. 20.—There are only \$6,090,423 germs on the ordinary old one dollar bill, according to Dr. Otto Fiedler, and just now for several weeks has been making bacteriological examination of paper money. Although the number of bacteria appears almost inconceivable, Dr. Fiedler does not consider his discovery alarming. Old money, he believes, should not be kept in circulation, but does not hold that disease spread through circulation of currency is frequent.

Dr. Fiedler has been making the examination at the request of George H. D. Johnson, who is in Washington representing the local chamber of commerce in the interest of a post check currency bill. The results of the doctor's analyses are being used as an argument in favor of the measure. Although the bill primarily is aimed to permit the sending of small sums of money through the mails without requiring a money order, another purpose urged in its favor is that it would have a tendency to retire old money and keep new currency constantly in circulation.

BOSS COX OUSTS FORAKER.

Signs Point to Latter's Defeat for the Senate.

Columbus, O., Jan. 20.—Politicians here as a rule are of the belief that the candidacy of George B. Cox, the Cincinnati boss, for senator at the coming republican national convention, makes it impossible for Foraker to win the Ohio delegation away from the control of Hanna. More than this many believe it means the eventual complete elimination of Foraker from the politics of Ohio. In retirement from the senate, with Cox as his successor, Foraker had planned to win the Ohio convention in the name of Roosevelt by being himself a candidate for delegate-at-large. Cox's announcement is a notice to Foraker that their partnership has been dissolved, that Cox has doubly galled his compact with Hanna and that Foraker need not apply for the job as delegate-at-large. As Cox controls Hamilton county Foraker's home, it does not seem possible for the senior senator to win with his own county against Hanna's pork and patronage. As it now looks like a hopeless fight for their chief.

President Roosevelt's decision that he trusts implicitly in Hanna's friendship is taken here to mean that the president has come to realize the weakness of Foraker in Ohio.

BEHEADED LITTLE BOY.

Horrible Crime Of Insane Woman At Paterson, N. J.

Paterson, N. J., Jan. 20.—Mrs. Arthur Oswald was arrested today on the charge of murdering her 8-year-old son at her home in Oakland. She is believed to be insane.

The tragedy was discovered by the woman's husband when he returned home late last night. As he entered the dining room he was horrified to see the headless body of his son lying on the floor. The head lay near the boy's feet. Near by lay the body of his pet dog, which also had been beheaded.

Oswald found his wife lying in bed with her young baby in both arms. She was singing softly to the infant. Near the bed her two other children lay sleeping in a crib. The woman did not recognize her husband, nor seem to understand what was said to her.

EASTERN BLIZZARD

Strikes Milwaukee Interfering With Steam and Lake Navigation.

Milwaukee, Jan. 20.—The blizzard from the east reached Milwaukee tonight. Considerable snow has fallen impeding street railway traffic. Trains on steam roads are running irregularly. Navigation on the west shore of Lake Michigan is hampered by slush and ice and several boats were compelled to remain in the harbor tonight.

Will Endeavor to Acquit the Mother of Guilty Knowledge.

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 20.—The testimony of experts on blood in the Bechtel case was concluded this evening and tomorrow a number of the Bechtel family will be placed on the stand to prove the mother not guilty of being an accessory after the fact in the killing of her daughter Mabel.

HAVE YOU GUESSED ON THE PROPOSITION!

How much money received from all sources at the Post Office, Decatur, Ill., during the month of January, 1904?

The contest closes at 10 o'clock p. m. Friday evening, January 29, 1904 when all guesses must be in the Herald office.

18 PRIZES

WILL BE AWARDED TO THE CONTESTANTS AS FOLLOWS

The guess which comes nearest to the amount of cash received at the Decatur postoffice during January, 1904, will entitle the guesser to first prize; the second nearest will get second prize, and so on.

First Prize—To the nearest correct estimator \$ 50.00
Second Prize—To the second nearest correct estimator 25.00
Third Prize—To the third nearest correct estimator 10.00
Fourth Prize—To the fourth nearest correct estimator 5.00
Ten Prizes—To the next ten nearest correct estimators 1.00

\$100.00

ADDITIONAL—To the person sending in the most guesses on this proposition, we offer the following additional prizes, providing, however, that such person doesn't win one of the prizes for correct guesses:

To the person sending in largest number of guesses \$10.00
To the person sending in second largest number of guesses 7.50
To the person sending in third largest number of guesses 5.00
To the person sending in fourth largest number of guesses 2.50

\$25.00

VALUABLE INFORMATION!

The receipts at the Decatur Post Office for the months as indicated were as follows:

September, 1902 \$6,125.84
October, 1902 6,382.51
November, 1902 5,537.87
December, 1902 7,269.58
January, 1903 6,372.28
July, 1903 5,857.61

August, 1903 5,308.47
September, 1903 5,800.72
October, 1903 6,508.18
November, 1903 6,345.24
December, 1903 6,582.27

CONDITIONS:

1st.—It costs you nothing to guess.
2d.—With every paid in advance subscription to either the Decatur Herald (Daily) or Decatur Herald (Semi-Weekly) guesses are given free at the following ratio:

DAILY

1 week in advance—10 cents 1 guess
1 month in advance—40 cents 5 guesses
3 months in advance—\$1.25 15 guesses
6 months in advance—\$2.50 50 guesses
1 year in advance—\$5.00 100 guesses

SEMI-WEEKLY

3 months in advance—25 cents 1 guess
6 months in advance—50 cents 5 guesses
1 year in advance—\$1.00 10 guesses

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Coupons can be secured of any rural route carrier, agent, or any of our solicitors or at the Herald office, Decatur, Illinois. Any further information can be secured by writing the Herald, Decatur, Illinois.

Read the "VALUABLE INFORMATION" on this page, which is taken from the Government Records, and figure it out for yourself.

All ties will be divided. Each guess will be registered so that no mistakes can be made.

Five disinterested representative citizens will open the estimates and render the decisions. The official Government report will be published on Tuesday morning, February 2, 1904, together with those winning prizes.

The proposition is open to old as well as new subscribers, if subscription is paid in advance.

The official government reports will show the correct amount of cash receipts at the Decatur Post Office and will be vouched for by the post office authorities at Decatur.

NOT FOR HENRY THE MARKETS

Editor Wattersson Refuses to Longer Accept Bryan as a Democratic Moses.

SAYS TIMES HAVE CHANGED.

Bryan's Political Speech Is "Shameful Political Insanity" and Embodiment of Blasphemy.

Louisville, Jan. 21.—Under the headline "Shameful Political Insanity" Henry Wattersson said in today's Courier-Journal an article William Jennings Bryan's "no surrender" speech, delivered Monday night in Omaha: Mr. Bryan lays down his ultimatum. Then, thirty times, he re-enacts the platforms of 1896 and 1900. Then it must select a nominee of Mr. Bryan's approving, if not of his choosing. Mr. Bryan having blacklisted each and every democrat who has shown any vitality or carried any election the last four or five years. Finally the party must accept no money for its campaign expenses from the "common enemy," the common enemy being the people, and every one who has any money to spare. This is the faith pure and simple in a free country, in a country ruled, or supposed to be ruled, by public opinion, parties, being merely the expression of the public opinion, must be on occasion to revise their lines. All parties have done this. The democratic party in particular has often done it. What, for example, would have been the result of the platform of 1896? In 1888 repeating the democratic platform of 1884, which declared the war "a failure"? What would have been thought of the platform of 1876, or that of 1860, repeating the greenback declaration of the platform of 1860? In like manner, after two successive, overwhelming defeats—the second even greater than the first—what must be the effect of the platform-makers of 1904 taking their inspiration, and their vote, from the platforms of 1896 and 1900, than from those—let us say—of 1892 and 1884, on which decisive victories were won? Times change and men change with them. The democratic party needs votes. On the lines of 1896 and 1900 it lost them. Whenever it has revised those lines it has gained them. In the case of the platform of 1900, to continue to accept Mr. Bryan as our only Moses? To take the word and the law solely out of his mouth, and under threat of the abandonment of truth; to expect again the wretched chapter of accident and chance, while, with our eyes wide open, we travel the same old road to ruin? Is free will, at the ratio of 16 to 1, the only weapon with which democracy can fight the plutocracy? Is socialism, socialism, the only recourse of the people against the money power? Do absolute centralization and the man on horseback—that is to say, the man on horseback—have no other issue than an incident of currency, which should never in the first place have been set up as the test of any man's democracy? And finally, let me say—must we fall down and worship a man, with all his manifest limitations and imperfections as the greatest general, the loftiest statesman and the purest patriot who has adorned American political history, and the purest? To our mind, all this seems the very embodiment of political blasphemy, the very essence of worldly absurdity, and we refuse to be party to it.

Marriages in Assumption.
W. O. Ridge and Miss Florence Pender, both of Assumption, were married Wednesday evening by the pastor of the Assumption Presbyterian church at the home of the bride, Frank A. Michener, by Assumption. Miss Mary Dowling of Millersville was married Tuesday at Assumption by Rev. Father Dechner.

DID NOT STRIKE.

Coles County Jurors Heed the Hunch Given by Court.

Vermilion county may be financially embarrassed, says the Danville Commercial News, but at least nobody has gone on a strike and refused to work for it. That is what has happened in Coles county. Judge M. Thompson, of this city, who is on the bench at Charleston, Mo., where he has a jury, struck to cope with it.

The Mattison Journal describes it as follows: "Just before the jury was called in the circuit court the members of that body learned that they were to be called to try a case in which there was no money in the county treasury. A meeting was held on one of the first floors of the court house and the jurors decided not to serve until some way was devised whereby they could get their money when they were excused."

To this end a committee was selected to wait on Judge Thompson and tell him of the decision made by the jurors. The committee waited on Judge Thompson all right, but it was gone but a short time and when it returned it was with the information that the members of the jury were ordered to report at once or take the consequences. Another meeting was held, but it was of short duration, and at the close the jurors slowly filed into the court room and reported ready for duty. They had concluded that it was not safe to "monkey with the court buzz-saw."

BEMENT FARMERS' GRAIN CO.

Shows a Big Profit on First Year's Operation.

The Bement Farmers' Grain and Coal Company held a business meeting Saturday afternoon, says the Platt County Republican. Thomas Lamb was re-elected president of the concern and John Morrey and James Bragg were elected members of the board of directors for a period of three years. At this meeting it was decided to issue stock certificates in order to pay off all indebtedness. The figures for the past year (or first year) show a profit of over 31 per cent. Fifty-four more certificates were taken at this meeting. The following is the official statement of finances:

Assets.	
Elevator plant	7,671.54
Accounts receivable	2,297.59
Grain in elevator	8,539.51
Coal and salt on hand	383.25
Cash on hand	18.58
Total	\$18,906.77
Liabilities.	
Stock paid in	5,750.00
Unpaid profits	1,837.12
Grain payable	2,084.14
Payable	9,195.01
Unpaid int. on bills payable	129.50
Total	\$18,906.77

FINLEY BARRELL LETTER.

By Tyler, Harney & Co., 114 East William St., Both Phones 362.
Chicago, Jan. 21.—WEDNESDAY.—The breaking of the southwestern drought precipitated a lot of selling upon the wheat market at the opening, specially of the July. It broke the price sharply enough to start a loss of orders and the market broke away from the bull control for a while. There was some Armour buying. When the early rush of selling was completed the market began to work back and the May sold up from 90c to 92c again.

CORN.—The corn market was influenced most today by the wheat fluctuations. When the wheat broke, the corn crowd started selling, and with no special new to affect the corn, it broke like it was possibly an overbought market. There were a good many smaller holders at high prices. Selling by Cudahy brokers had some effect to do with standing losses selling. The break was quick. On the decline there was buying in a large way by holders of puts and by the houses identified with the bull side.

CATS.—Oats with the break in wheat and corn and the accompanying of some smaller local holders, broke 14c a bushel. There was no important selling, no selling by the important holders. On the break the houses identified with the bull side were buyers, Bartlett-Frazier and Harris-Gates.

Range of Options.			
WHEAT.	Open.	High.	Low.
May 1914/92 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2	91 1/2
July 84 1/2	84 1/2	85 1/2	83 1/2
Sept. 79 1/2	79 1/2	80 1/2	77 1/2
CORN.			
May 50 1/4	50 1/4	51 1/4	49 1/4
July 48 1/2	48 1/2	49 1/2	47 1/2
Sept. 48 1/4	48 1/4	49 1/4	47 1/4
OATS.			
May 42 1/4	42 1/4	43 1/4	41 1/4
July 38 1/2	38 1/2	39 1/2	37 1/2
Sept. 38 1/4	38 1/4	39 1/4	37 1/4
PORK.			
Jan. 13 00	13 00	13 12	12 72
May 8 72	8 72	8 75	8 70
RIBS.			
May 8 72	8 75	8 77	8 70

Chicago Markets.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Wheat—No. 2 red, 92 to 98, No. 3 red, 85 to 97, No. 2 hard, 80 to 84, No. 3 hard, 73 to 84; No. 2 soft, 87 to 88, May opened 91 1/2 to 92 1/2; highest 92 1/2, lowest 90 1/2, closing 91 1/2 to 92.

Corn—No. 2 and No. 2 yellow 47 1/2 to 48, No. 3, 47 to 47 1/2, No. 3 yellow 47 to 49; Jan. 46 1/2, May opened 50 1/2 to 50 1/2, highest 50 1/2 to 50 1/2, lowest 49 1/2, closing 49 1/2 to 50.

Other Quotations.

Rye—Jan. 56.
Timothy—\$3.07.
Clover—\$11.50.
Barley—Cash 40 to 61.
Flax—\$1.07 to \$1.12.

Receipts and Shipments.

Receipts.		Shipments.	
Flour	28,000	Flour	52,000
Wheat	74,000	Wheat	49,000
Corn	253,000	Corn	325,000
Oats	189,000	Oats	145,000

Wheat at Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Jan. 21.—Wheat—May 90 1/2 to 90 1/2; July 88 1/2 to 89, Sept. 78.

Grain at Liverpool.

Liverpool, Jan. 21.—Wheat—Spot nominal.
Corn—Spot steady, American mixed new, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52.

New York Market.

New York, Jan. 21.—Wheat—Receipts 8000, exports 32,000, spot steady; No. 2 red elevator, 95 c. o. b. afloat. Options closed strong at 4 to 4 net decline. No. 2 red elevator, 95 c. o. b. afloat. No. 2 yellow elevator, 53 1/2 c. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow 56; No. 2 white 54, options closed only to net decline, 54 1/2.

Grain at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Jan. 21.—Wheat—Cash 91 1/2; May 88 1/2; July 88 1/2; Sept. 78.

Corn at Peoria.

Peoria, Jan. 21.—Corn—Lower, new No. 3, 41.

Poultry and Produce.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Butter—Steady; creameries 15 to 21, dairies 13 to 19. Eggs—Steady; 25 to 27. Poultry—Steady; turkeys 10 to 11; chickens 10, springs, 10.
New York, Jan. 21.—Butter—Irregular; creamery common to choice 15 to 21; extra 22.
Eggs—Firm; extras, 31, firsts, 29; seconds 28 to 29; refrigerated 1 c. 27.

Live Stock at Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Cattle—Receipts 10,000; market good to prime at \$5 to \$5.70, poor to medium \$3.50 to \$4.50, stockers \$2.25 to \$4.
Hogs—Receipts 30,000. Market mostly higher. Mixed butchers \$4.35 to \$5.00, good to choice heavy \$4.35 to \$5.10, rough heavy \$3.50 to \$4.50, light \$4.50 to \$4.80; bulk of sales \$3.50 to \$4.50.
Sheep—Receipts 14,000. Market steady. Sheep \$3 to \$4.25; lambs \$4.25 to \$5.50.

Live Stock at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Jan. 21.—Cattle—Receipts 3000; market steady; beef steers \$3.25 to \$5, stockers and feeders \$2.35 to \$4.25; hogs \$3.25 to \$4.25; Texas steers \$2.80 to \$4.25.
Hogs—Receipts 8000; market steady to five higher. Range \$4.40 to \$5.

DECATUR MARKETS.

CATTLE.	
Hens	30c
Turkeys, old, toms	10c
Turkeys, young	12c
Ducks	9c
Geese	9c
Eggs	20c
GRAIN.	
Corn	37 to 38c
Wheat	80 to 85c
Oats	30 to 33c
BUTCHER STOCK.	
Hogs per 100 lbs	\$4.25 to \$4.60
Calves	4.00 to 4.50
Shipping cattle	4.00 to 4.50
Cows	3.00 to 3.50
Butcher steers	3.00 to 3.50
Sheep	3.00 to 3.50
Lambs	4.00 to 4.50
PAID BY GROCERS.	
Butter tub	3.28
Butter, creamery	3.28
Butter, country	3.20 to 3.25
Lard	2.50
Eggs, cold storage	9.24
Eggs, country	3.28

NEARBY TOWNS.

OAKLEY.

Levi Bickelmaier and wife arrived home Wednesday from a visit with Oklahoma relatives.
T. O. Holcomb of Milnme was a business visitor here Tuesday.
John Seitz and Burl Harrouff have taken positions with the Decatur Bridge Company.

Benjamin Clemmons and wife were Illinois visitors Wednesday.
John Veech who has been very seriously ill with inflammatory rheumatism several weeks past is slowly recovering.
Wm. Hiser and wife were called to Decatur Thursday by the death of Mrs. Hiser's father, Simon Seitz, Sr.

Rev. Griffin, the U. B. minister of this circuit, is holding regular services at Fairview.
John Barnett has a public sale advertised for the 26th and O. C. Scott will sell his farming utensils on the 28th inst.

The new Coulter's mill bridge has been completed by the contractor but it will not be passable until quite a large amount of grading has been done.

VOORHIES.

Miss Beattie visited last week with her sister, Mrs. Duley at Ivesdale.
L. H. Alvord transacted business in Van Wert Thursday.
M. C. Curry, M. P. Ford and O. H. Smith were Decatur visitors Thursday.

Miss Little Rouch is visiting at Lake City with her sister, Mrs. Ben Parker.
Sunday visitors. John Lamb and family, George Larson and wife with Cero Gordon friends, H. Smith and wife with James Elliott's.

Pat Morgan of Mattoon is visiting at the present with old friends in this vicinity.

MONTICELLO.

Wednesday afternoon was an open meeting of the Woman's club at the home of Mrs. Thomas Plunk Mark at Monticello. The speaker was Judge F. M. Shonkwiler in a very pleasing manner. Poetic, character sketch, Rowney Tidball. Music was furnished by Mesdames Rolland Thompson and L. Tidball. Refreshments were served.

On Saturday night Miss Irene Tindler fell, injuring her back, but is doing nicely now.
John Brightbill is lying very low at his home west of town.

Cloyd O. Davidson returned to his work in Barron, Wis., Tuesday after spending several weeks with home folks.
William F. Lodge and Miss Sara Tindler were quietly married at the home of the bride's father, L. B. Tindler, on Tuesday evening at 8:30 by Rev. Daney. Only the immediate families were present, and they left on the night train for a trip to New York City.

Miss Harriet Plunk returned Tuesday from an extended visit to Walnut, Ill.

The last number of the Woman's club was a lecture by Hon. G. A. George, on the "Footprints of the Century." It was one of the most masterly efforts ever put forth, and it alone was worth the price of admission.

WELDON.

Earl Miles visited his brother Charles at Clinton over Sunday.
Mrs. T. L. Covey and son went to Seymour, Monday.
John Goble will move his family to Clinton next week.

Mrs. Samuel Mickie returned home from Campau Saturday.

Miss Mary Bennett from Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. Moorehead.

Smith Hutchison, returned from a week's visit at Bloomington.

Mrs. Grogan from Spring Valley, came Saturday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Pearl.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dressler visited relatives at El Paso over Sunday.

Mrs. M. T. Carr and son are visiting relatives at Bloomington.

BLUE MOUND.

Mr. Turner of Boody has purchased one half interest in the Boody Bros. Elevator at Mt. Auburn. Mr. Turner was the first man to engage in the grain business at Mt. Auburn but sold out before the new road was completed.

The Grove City Odd Fellows will give an oyster supper at their hall, Saturday evening, Jan. 23.

Miss Pansy Harburt was pleasantly surprised by her many friends at a home near Stonington Tuesday evening. The evening was spent in games.

Jas. Wickens is on the sick list. A series of meetings are being held at the Methodist church at Blue Mound. Also at the Methodist church of Mt. Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Ward spent Sunday with their son who lives near Vandeville.

George Drennan will have a stock sale Jan. 23. C. A. Baughman Jan. 30 and W. E. Payne about Feb. 15, or 20.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cline were Decatur visitors this week.

TOWER HILL.

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The funeral will be held Friday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock from the residence and the body will be taken to Cicero for burial.

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